

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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At its meeting held July 11, 2006, the Board took the following action:

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Supervisor Yaroslavsky made the following statement:

"On June 1, 2006, four bids were received in response to our April 18, 2006, action adopting the plans and specifications for bids to construct the Dominguez Gap Wetlands project. At our meeting on June 20, 2006, the Director of Public Works recommended award of the contract to the lowest bidder, Griffith Company. The second and third lowest bidders, Environmental Construction, Inc., and Los Angeles Engineering, Inc., respectively, protested award of the contract to the lowest bidder based on their interpretation of the solicitation requirements relative to contractor licensing and experience. We awarded the contract to the next lowest bidder with an active C27 license.

"On June 22, 2006, the County received correspondence from counsel representing Griffith Company protesting award of the contract to the second lowest bidder with an active C27 license on a variety of grounds."

Supervisor Yaroslavsky made a motion, seconded by Supervisor Knabe, that the Board take the following actions:

 Rescind actions taken by the Board on June 20, 2006, on Item No. 89, Project ID No. WMD000050, Dominguez Gap Spreading Grounds, Dominguez Gap Wetlands, in the City of Long Beach (4), that (a) implicitly found the lowest bidder to be nonresponsive and (b) awarded the contract to the next lowest bidder with an active C27 license;

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- 2. Reject all bids received on June 1, 2006, as being in the County's best interest; and
- 3. Instruct the Director of Public Works to revise the contract specifications to clarify the license and experience requirements and return to the Board for further action.

Mr. Donald L. Wolfe, Director of Public Works, responded to questions posed the Board. Fred Soroudi, representing Environmental Construction, Inc., and Jason Spear, representing Griffith Company, also addressed the Board.

After discussion, Supervisor Yaroslavsky's aforementioned motion failed to carry by the following vote: Ayes: Supervisors Yaroslavsky and Knabe; Noes: Supervisor Antonovich; Abstentions: Supervisors Molina and Burke.

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